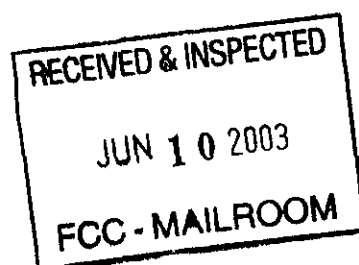




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SECTION 254(e) CERTIFICATION

June 1, 2003

To: Irene Flannery  
Vice President – High Cost and Low Income Division  
Universal Service Administrative Company  
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Washington, D.C. 20037

Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary  
Federal Communications Commission  
445 - 12<sup>th</sup> Street, SW  
Washington, D.C. 20554

Re.: CC Docket No. 96-45

This is to certify that Smithville Telephone Company, Inc., (the company”), will use its Interstate Common Line Support and Long Term Support only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and service for which the support is intended.

I am authorized to make this certification on behalf of the company named above. This certification is provided for all study areas under the common control of the company, and which are listed below and in attachment(s) as necessary.

Signed,

William H. Earles  
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President

Date: 6/1/03

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| Smithville Telephone Company, Inc. | Indiana | N320818        |
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If necessary, attach a separate list of additional study areas, and check this box ☐.